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SUBJECT: IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER COMMENTS ON CHI PENG-
FEI VISIT

REF: A) TEHRAN 4268

B) TEHRAN 4373

1. FOREIGN MINISTER KHALATBARI GAVE ME BRIEF RUNDOWN

21 JUNE ON CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER'S RECENT VISIT.

HE SAID THAT IN THIS FIRST DIRECT CONTACT BETWEEN IRANIANS
AND CHINESE AT FOREIGN MINISTER LEVEL, HE HAD BEEN IMPRESSED
WITH CHI PENG- FEI AND HAD LIKED HIS STRAIGHTFORWARD MANNER
OF PRESENTATION.

2. ACCORDING TO KHALATBARI, THE FOREIGN MINISTERS EXCHANGED
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POLICY VIEWS DURING A WIDE- RANGING TOUR DE' HORIZON. KHALAT-
BARI EXPLAINED THE INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY OF IRAN AND
CHI PENG- FEI COUNTERED WITH A DESCRIPTION OF CHINESE
POLICY BASED ON THE FIVE PRINCIPLES OF PANTJA S(H) EZGA,
CHI PENG- FEI HEAVILY ENDORSED IN PRIVATE AS HE DID IN
PUBLIC THE IRANIAN ARMS BUILDUP AND IRANIAN POLICY IN
THE PERSIAN GULF (SEE TEHRAN 4373). IN DISCUSSING CHINESE
RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, HE STATED FLATLY THAT
RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION WERE" BADLY AND " WORRYING".
AS FOR INDIA, IT

WAS INDICATED THAT RELATIONS WERE " NOT
GOOD" BUT THAT THEY MIGHT BE IMPROVED IF INDIA FULFILLED
ITS OBLIGATIONS IN KEEPING WITH THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESO-
LUTION ON PAKISTAN. CHI PENG- FEI DESCRIBED RELATIONS WITH
UNITED STATES AND EXPLAINED THE DECLARATION SIGNED
AT THE TIME OF PRESIDENT NIXON' S VISIT TO CHINA. DISCUSSION
OF THE UNITED STATES WAS FRIENDLY THROUGHOUT. CHI PENG- FEI
STATED THAT THE CHINESE ARE " NOT OPTIMISTIC" ABOUT DETENTE
EVEN THOUGH THEY CONCEDE IT MAY HAVE CERTAIN SHORT- TERM
VALUE. HE DESCRIBED THE CSCE AS A " TRICK OF THE SOVIET
UNION" WHICH WOULD RESULT IN THE SOVIETS HAVING A FREE
HAND IN EUROPE WITH CORRESPONDINGLY SERIOUS RESULTS FOR
THE MIDDLE EAST AND CHINA. THE CHINESE INDICATED THAT
THE SOVIET FLEET WAS A FACT OF LIFE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND

THAT THE LONG- TERM POLICY OF THE SOVIET UNION WOULD TEND TO
INCREASE THIS PRESENCE. CHI PENG- FEI LAUGHED AT THE
BREZHNEV PROPOSAL FOR AN ASIAN SECURITY CONFERENCE. HE
POINTED OUT THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS A EUROPEAN POWER, THAT
IT HAS SMALL JUSTIFICATION FOR INTERFERING IN THE AFFAIRS OF
ASIATIC COUNTRIES, AND THAT ITS FRIENDSHIP TREATIES WITH
IRAQ AND INDIA RUN COUNTER TO ITS PROTESTATIONS ABOUT THE
PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED ASIATIC SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS.

3. CONTRARY TO EARLIER IMPRESSION(SEE PARA 3 OF
TEHRAN 4268), KHALATBARI STATED THAT CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER
HAD MADE DECISION TO VISIT PAKISTAN PRIOR TO ARRIVING IN
TEHRAN.

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